



RIPA Welcomes New Directors for the Board of Directors

Members of the Reusable Industrial Packaging Association have elected five persons to the association's Board of Directors. Each newly elected Board member will serve a three-year term, from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024.

RIPA is a North American trade association representing the interests of businesses engaged in the reconditioning, remanufacture and manufacture of industrial packagings, including steel, plastic and fiber drums, as well as intermediate bulk containers. RIPA is also a founding member of the International Confederation of Container Reconditioners, which represents the industry in various international regulatory and standards organizations.

The incoming Board members are (alphabetical order):

Mike Chorpash, Centurion Container, LLC
Phil Dworsky, Consolidated Container Company, LLC
Tim Evoy, FDS, Inc.
Dean Ricker, Skolnik Industries, Inc.
Randy Speights, Mitchel Container Services, Inc.

"These individuals all have a long history of participation in the association, and they bring to the Board a wealth of talent and expertise," said association Chair Tim O'Bryan. "I am sure I speak for my fellow officers and all sitting Board members when I say that we look forward to working with them to expand the association and ensure that all our member companies are fairly and fully represented," he stated.

Looking ahead, O'Bryan sees a full agenda for the association both in North America and globally. "Corporations around the world are focusing increasingly on sustainability and Circular Economy strategies that emphasize packaging reuse," notes O'Bryan. "RIPA and its global counterparts in the International Confederation of Container Reconditioners are already working with several international organizations to create greater awareness of carbon savings resulting from industrial packaging reuse," noted O'Bryan. "Here in North

America, RIPA members face several important regulatory issues that will require our full attention in the coming months,” he said.

O’Bryan expressed his thanks to all the candidates who stood for election to the Board this year as well as outgoing Board members Noah Flom and David Levine who served for the past six years. “One of RIPA’s great strengths is the willingness of its members to take time away from their businesses to work on behalf of the group,” he noted.

O’Bryan gave special thanks to outgoing Chairman Mike Bank for his service to the association. “Mike Bank served as our Chairman during one of the most difficult periods in RIPA’s history, and he did an amazing job,” said O’Bryan. “Mike deserves a round of applause from every company in this organization for his leadership and foresight during some really tough times,” concluded O’Bryan.

Following is a list of RIPA’s 2022 Board of Directors and Officers:

Name	Company
Tim O’Bryan, Chair	O’Bryan Barrel Company, Inc
Eric Bernath, Vice Chair	Advance Drum Service, Inc.
William Carroll, Treasurer	Mauser Packaging Solutions
Mike Chorpash	Centurion Container, LLC
Phil Dworsky	Consolidated Container Co., LLC
Tim Evoy	FDS, Inc.
Rick Haskins	Mauser Packaging Solutions
Dean Ricker	Skolnik Industries, Inc.
Jason Shoff	Mauser Packaging Solutions
John Smyth	Centurion Container, LLC
Randy Speights	Mitchell Container Services, Inc.
Cody Stavig	Container Management Services, LLC
Mike Stephen	B. Stephen Cooperage, Inc.
Barry Wingard	EarthMinded, Inc.
Steve Zamin	Drum Parts Midwest
Mike Bank (Ex Officio)	ContainerBuyers